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 Masaki KOTANI
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 For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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28 page(s) of specification and 1 page(s) of abstract of the invention are enclosed.

An assignment of the invention to MURATA KIKAI KABUSHIKI KAISHA is enclosed will follow.

An associate power of attorney is enclosed will follow.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed will follow.

A certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-124335 filed April 25, 2000 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.

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Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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